

Mr. Bennett and was entitled "A Few Birds of the Itasca Lake Region." This was also illustrated by colored slides taken by Mr. Bennett last summer and showed many of the Warblers and other migratory birds on their nests in the northern pine woods. Some of the slides were of the natural color process. Iowa can certainly feel proud that we have such men as Bennett, Stephens, Keyes, and Weeks as platform men and lecturers in Ornithology, as they are entertainers worth going far to hear.

The membership during 1923, which was our year of organization, was over 100, and with the enthusiasm shown, I am sure that we will have a much larger membership before the next annual meeting. Iowa has a large number of bird lovers and we hope to build a strong organization and one which will be a credit to our state. Members, let's all boost for the I. O. U. and the W. O. C. W. M. ROSEN, President.

PUBLICATIONS REVIEWED

ANIMAL LIFE IN THE YOSEMITE VALLEY

Grinnell, J. and Storer, T. L., *Animal Life in the Yosemite*. xviii plus 752 pages, 60 plates (12 in color), 2 maps (color), 65 figures in text. University of California Press, Berkeley, California, 1924. Buckram \$7.50. Carriage extra. Weight, 5 lbs. 9 oz.

This is a book that combines in admirable fashion scientific description of characters and occurrence with accurate but pleasing description of habits. There is unmistakable evidence that the authors have made a thorough study of the region that is treated, and have been discriminating in their selection of the facts presented. The difficulties of identification of some of the forms here treated may be attested by the fact that no less than eight subspecies of fox sparrows are found in the region, and yet the work has been well done. The colored plates are done in Allan Brooks' careful and accurate manner, and the clearness of the impressions attest the care that was taken in the mechanics of printing. The same excellence extends throughout the treatment of the Mammals, Reptiles and Amphibians. We would like to see the same sort of intensive work done in other regions.

L. J.